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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE,

In re Application of:

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For: PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR THE

PRODUCTION OF CELLULOSE PULPS

OF IMPROVED QUALITY

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Prior to the heading "Technical Field of the Invention," please insert the following subsection:

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This patent application is a divisional of copending U.S. Patent Application No. 09/600,109, filed July 11, 2000, which is the U.S. national phase of PCT International Application No. PCT/SE99/00079, filed January 20, 1999.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-32 are canceled, and new claim 33 is added as follows: